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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[DOCKET NO. MARAD-2013-0051]

Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime Administration's (MARAD's) intention to request extension of approval for three years of a currently approved information collection.

DATES: Comments should be submitted on or before [sixty days following date published in the <u>Federal</u> Register].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Albert Bratton, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-5769; or e-mail: albert.bratton@dot.gov. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Title of Collection</u>: Determination of Fair and Reasonable Rates for the Carriage of Bulk and Package Preference Cargoes on U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels

<u>Type of Request</u>: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0514

Form Numbers: MA-1025, MA-1026, and MA-172.

Expiration Date of Approval: Three years from date of approval by the Office of Management and Budget.

<u>Summary of Collection of Information</u>: This data collection requests that U.S.-flag operators submit vessel-operating costs and capital costs data to MARAD officials on an annual basis.

<u>Need and Use of the Information</u>: This information is needed by MARAD to establish fair and reasonable guideline rates for carriage of specific cargoes on U.S. vessels.

Description of Respondents: U.S. citizens who own and operate U.S.-flag vessels.

Annual Responses: 17

Annual Burden: 420

Comments: Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document.

Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room W12-140, 1200

New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. Comments also may be submitted by electronic means

via the Internet at www.regulations.gov. Specifically address whether this information collection is

necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy

of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and

clarity of the information to be collected. All comments received will be available for examination at the

above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT (or EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal

Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at

www.regulations.gov.

PRIVACY ACT: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our

dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on

behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act

Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78)

or you may visit www.regulations.gov.

Authority: 49 CFR 1.93.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator,

DATE: May 6, 2013

Julie Agarwal Secretary

Maritime Administration

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